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1. THE LOCAL REACTION TO THE JULY 4TH CELEBRATIONS WAS GENERALLY ENTHUSIASTIC. THE GON MADE TWO MINOR GESTURES TO COMMEMORATE THE U.S. BICENTENNIAL (NAMING OF AN AID-FINANCED SCHOOL COMPLEX AFTER GEORGE WASHINGTON AND CALLING THE XXXI NATIONAL GUARD GRADUDATION CLASS "PROMOCION BICENTENARIO"). IN SHORT THE GON MADE NO SIGNIFICANT EFFORT.

2. AS REPORTED IN REFTTEL, THE CITY OF GRENADA HELD TWO MAJOR EVENTS ON JULY 4TH: THE INAUGURATION OF PLAZA GEORGE WASHINGTON, AND A 250-300 PERSON RECEPTION-DINNER DANCE AT THE JOCKEY CLUB.

3. NEVERTHELESS, THERE WAS A GENUINE OUTPOURING OF GOOD WILL TOWARDS THE UNITED STATES AND ITS ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN OFFICIAL AND NON-OFFICIAL POLITICAL SECTORS (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SMALL PRO-THIRD WORLD AND ANTI-U.S. LEFT. THEBERGE

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